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1. SIGNING OF PROJECT AGREEMENT FOR IRON AND STEEL PLANT BETWEEN GOTT AND JAPANESE FIRMS OF KAWASAKI AND MITSUI HAS BEEN POSTPONED FROM JULY 15 (RBE A) UNTIL JULY 30. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS, HOWEVER, THAT A NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE JAPANESE FIRMS AS WELL AS THE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF JAPAN HAVE

ALREADY ARRIVED FOR TALKS WITH GOTT OFFICIALS, INCLUDING MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE ERROL MAHABIR. ONLY INFORMATION WE HAVE PICKED UP THIS FAR ABOUT FINANCING FOR PROJECT IS A UNCONFIRMED REPORT FROM A FOREIGN DIPLOMAT THAT THE JAPANESE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK IS OFFERING TO PROVIDE U.S. \$150 MILLION. EMBASSY PRESUMES THIS WOULD BE USED TO FINANCE PURCHASE OF JAPANESE EQUIPMENT FOR PROJECT, YET THIS CONFLICTS WITH ANOTHER REPORT THAT ESTEL-HOOGOVENS, THE OTHER MINORITY PARTNER IN THE PROJECT, MANUFACTURES STEEL MILL EQUIPMENT AND THAT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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